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AGENDA

Meeting:

Place: Bouverie Hall, North Street, Pewsey, Wiltshire SN9 5EQ

PEWSEY AREA BOARD

Date: Monday 2 July 2012

Time: 7.00 pm

Including the Parishes of Alton, Beechingstoke, Burbage, Buttermere, Charlton and Wilsford, Chirton, Easton, Grafton, Great Bedwyn, Ham, Little Bedwyn, Manningford, Marden, Milton Lilbourne, North Newnton, Oare, Patney, Pewsey, Rushall, Shalbourne, Stanton St Bernard, Upavon, Wilcot and Huish, Woodborough, Wootton Rivers

The Area Board welcomes and invites contributions from members of the public. The chairman will try to ensure that everyone who wishes to speak will have the opportunity to do so.

If you have any requirements that would make your attendance at the meeting easier, please contact your Democratic Services Officer.

Refreshments and networking opportunities will be available from 6:30pm.

Please direct any enquiries on this Agenda to Sharon Smith (Democratic Services Officer), on 01225 718378 or email <u>sharonL.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> Or Caroline Brailey (Pewsey Community Area Manager) 01225 718609 or email <u>caroline.brailey@wiltshire.gov.uk</u>

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Wiltshire Councillors

Robert Hall	Pewsey Vale
Jerry Kunkler (Chairman)	Pewsey
Stuart Wheeler (Vice Chairman)	Burbage + Bedwyns

Please come and visit the Wiltshire Community Bank display stand which will be available to view from 6:30pm

Map enclosed at page 1

	Items to be considered	Time
1	Election of Chairman	7:00 pm
•	To elect a Chairman for the 2012/13 municipal year.	
2	Election of Vice-Chairman	
-	To elect a Vice-Chairman for the 2012/13 municipal year.	
3	Appointment to Outside Bodies (Pages 3 - 18)	
	To confirm memberships of outside bodies and to confirm membership and terms of reference of working groups (to include Community Area Transport Group).	
4	Welcome and Introductions	
5	Apologies for Absence	
6	Minutes (Pages 19 - 30)	
	To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2012.	
7	Declarations of Interest	
	Councillors are requested to declare any personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.	
8	Chairman's Announcement - Joint Strategic Assessment (Pages 31 - 36)	
	a. Localism Actb. Joint Strategic Assessment (JSA)c. Paths for Communities	
9	Cabinet Representative - Councillor Fleur de Rhe-Philipe	7:05 pm
	Councillor Fleur de Rhe-Philipe, Cabinet Representative for Economic Development and Strategic Planning, will give a brief overview of that area of responsibility. The Chairman will then invite questions from the public.	
	(Note: Written questions may be submitted in advance – please email to <u>sharonl.smith@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> by Wednesday 27 June 2012)	
10	Neighbourhood Development Plan	7:25 pm
	Peter Deck will be in attendance to provide a presentation on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.	

11	Partner Updates (Pages 37 - 42)	7:40 pm
	To receive any updates from partner organisations:	
	 a. Wiltshire Police; b. Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service; c. NHS Wiltshire; d. Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP); e. Parish Councils; 	
	 Chirton and Conock Parish Council - Over Height Vehicle Signage Consultation f. Pewsey Community Area Young People Issues Group (CAYPIG); 	
	g. Pewsey Campus - Shadow Community Operations Board	
12	Chirton School Consultation	8:00 pm
	Nick Glass, Manager of School Buildings and Places will be in attendance to provide details on the Chirton School Consultation.	
13	Wiltshire Community Bank - Tackling Social Exclusion (Pages 43 - 44)	8:15 pm
	To receive a presentation regarding the Wiltshire Community Bank.	
14	Community Issues (Pages 45 - 46)	8:30 pm
	Councillor Stuart Wheeler will give an update on the progress made regarding issues which have been raised with the Area Board.	
15	Community Area Grants (Pages 47 - 54)	8:35 pm
	To determine any applications for Community Area Grants.	
16	Urgent Business	8:45 pm
	Time permitting, the Chairman will invite questions and comments on issues not covered elsewhere in the agenda.	
17	Future Meeting Dates and Close (Pages 55 - 56)	
	To note the Forward Plan attached.	
	The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board is scheduled for Monday 10 September 2012, 7pm at Bouverie Hall, Goddard Road, Pewsey SN9 5QE.	

Future Meeting Dates

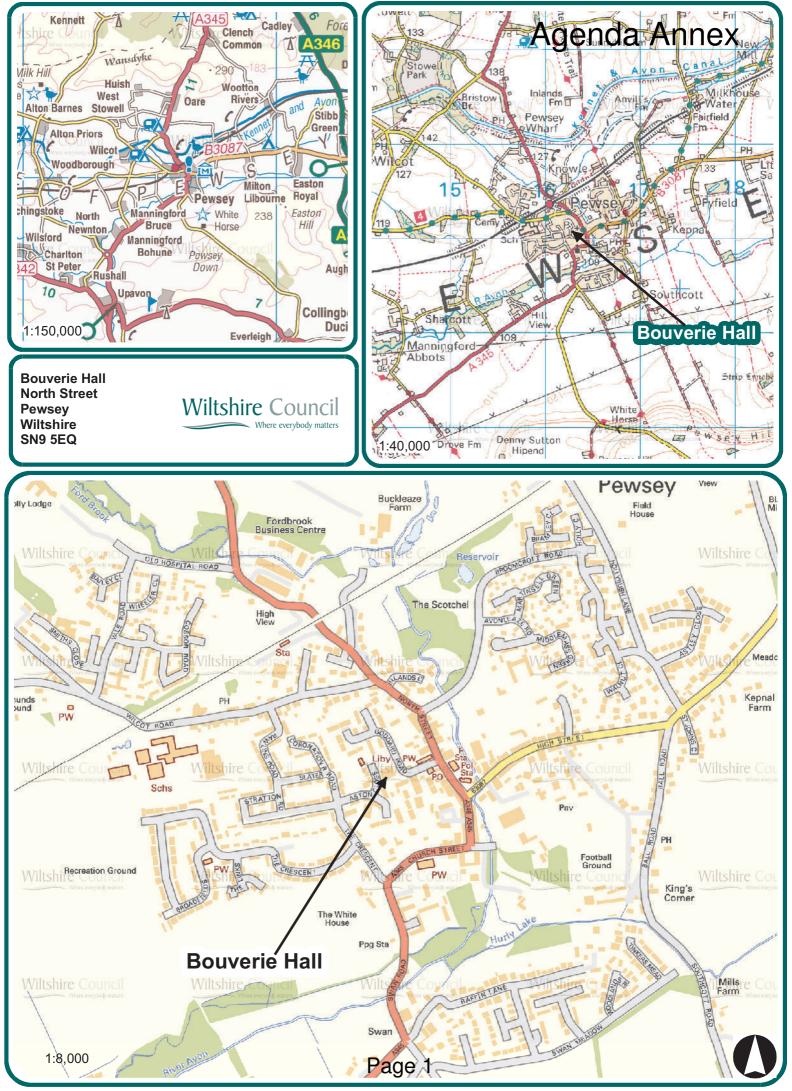
Monday, 10 September 2012 7.00 pm Bouverie Hall, North Street, Pewsey, Wiltshire SN9 5EQ

Monday, 12 November 2012

7:00 pm Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage, Wiltshire SN8 3AJ

Monday, 14 January 2013

7:00 pm Burbage Village hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage, Wiltshire SN8 3AJ



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Appointments to Outside Bodies and working groups 2012/13

1. <u>Purpose of the Report</u>

1.1. To note the appointments to Outside Bodies and Working Groups as set out at Appendix A, which will continue for the forthcoming year 2012/13, unless the Board wishes to make any changes.

2. <u>Background</u>

- 2.1. The Area Board appointed to Outside Bodies at its inaugural meeting in 2009. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' current terms of office, unless the Board determines otherwise.
- 2.2. Similarly, other appointments have been made to Working Groups, such as the Community Area Transport Group (CATG). These appointments will also continue until 2013.

3. <u>Main Considerations</u>

- 3.1. All Area Boards have appointed Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs), which operate as informal working groups making recommendations to the Area Board for approval. Terms of reference are set out at Appendix C. It should be noted that the establishment of the CATGs, along with the delegation of the relevant budget to Area Boards, was a delegation of authority from the Cabinet Member for Highways, and so the Terms of Reference for these cannot be amended
- 3.2. Some Area Boards have also established Shadow Community Operations Boards to discuss and facilitate the development of Campus proposals. Similarly, these Groups have been established as part of the Council's corporate programme for Campuses, and so the Terms of Reference cannot be amended.
- 3.3. Some Area Boards have established other Working Groups to consider and address local issues. Where these have Terms of Reference, this is for the Area Board to determine and amend where required.

4. Financial and Resource Implications

4.1. None.

5. <u>Legal Implications</u>

- 5.1. Some appointments carry responsibilities and duties, for example, those which involve becoming a trustee. Councillors are advised to seek advice on individual appointments if required.
- 5.2. <u>Protocol 3</u> in the Council's <u>Constitution</u> sets out Guidance to Members on Outside Bodies.

6. <u>Environmental Impact of the Proposals</u>

6.1. None.

7. Equality and Diversity Implications

7.1. None.

8. Delegation

- 8.1. Under Wiltshire Council's constitution (Part 4, paragraph 5), appointments to Outside Bodies will be made by the Leader of the Council, Cabinet, Area Boards or a meeting of group leaders, as appropriate. By convention, appointments to Outside Bodies which operate within the boundary of a community area are made by the relevant Area Board.
- 8.2. The appointment of Councillors to working groups operating under the Area Board is a matter for the Area Board to determine.

9. <u>Recommendation</u>

- 9.1. The Area Board is requested to:
 - a. note the appointments to Outside Bodies as set out at Appendix A, and to agree any changes required.
 - b. agree to reconstitute the Working Group(s), and to agree to re-appoint to Working Group(s) as set out at appendix B
 - c. note the Terms of Reference for the Working Group(s), as set out at Appendix C.

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Appendices:

Appendix A – list of appointments to Outside Bodies Appendix B – list of appointments to Working Group(s) Appendix C – Terms of Reference for Working Group(s)

Unpublished background documents relied upon in the preparation of this report

None.

<u>Pewsey Area Board</u> Outside Body Appointments

Outside Body Title (A to Z)	Appointed By	Why Rep Needed	Organisation aims	Meeting schedule	Voting rights	Reps needed	Rep
Pewsey Community	Area Board - Pewsey	To inform the development of	To represent the views	Normally 4 times	Yes	1	Cllr Robert Hall
Area Partnership		the Community Area Plan	and aspirations of the	per year			
			local community				
Pewsey Youth Issues	Area Board - Pewsey	So young people can present	Youth issues and	4 meetings per	Yes	Up to 2	Cllr Stuart Wheeler and Cllr Jerry Kunkler
Group (CAYPIG)		ideas to councillors and council	democracy	year			

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Appointments to Working Groups Pewsey Area Board

Community Area Transport Group:

Wiltshire Council - Cllrs Robert Hall, Cllr Jerry Kunkler, Cllr Stuart Wheeler Sustrans - David Leighton Pewsey Parish Council - Peter Deck, Terry Eyles Rushall Parish Council – Colin Gale Manningford Parish Council - Bernard Gaskin Pewsey and District Chamber of Commerce - Patrick Wilson Pewsey Community Area Partnership Transport sub-group - Stanley Bagwell Pewsey Community Area Partnership - Bob King Neighbourhood Policing Team - Vince Logue

Shadow Community Operations Board (COB):

Wiltshire Council – Cllr Stuart Wheeler Town/Parish Council – Cllr Bob Woodward Education and Young People – Wendy Spencer Wider Community – Tom Hatfield The Corsham School - Marcus Chapman User and Community Groups – David Line, Caroline Maddocks, Christopher Haskell

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP (CATG)

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Membership of the CATG

The CATG will normally be made up of not more than 10 members from the following groups:

- Members of the Area Board
- Town and Parish Council representatives
- Community representatives

Representatives should act as a conduit between their organisations and the CATG by putting forward the views of the body they represent and providing feedback to its members regarding the work of the CATG. The group members will also need to be mindful of the needs of the community area as a whole when making their recommendations, as not all councils and groups can be represented on the CATG.

Recommendations to the Area Board will usually be reached by consensus but if necessary these can be agreed by a show of hands by those representatives present at the meeting.

The group will normally be chaired by a Wiltshire Councillor. Membership of the CATG will cease when a member ceases to hold the stated office as when first appointed.

The CATG may invite representatives from local organisations to its meetings to give technical advice or to share pertinent local knowledge on projects in the area.

Appointment of CATG Members

Appointment of members to the CATG will normally be agreed at a full meeting of the Area Board. Membership may be varied, with the agreement of the Area Board Chairman, subject to approval at the next full Area Board meeting.

Where required for flexibility, the Area Board may appoint an unnamed representative of an organisation to the CATG (e.g. Town/Parish Council or Community Area Partnership) to ensure that the organisation is always represented at meetings. However it is preferred that the same representative attends if possible to ensure consistency of membership.

Media Relations

Members of the CATG must not issue press statements on behalf of the Area Board.

Any press statements about the work of the CATG should be agreed between the Chairman of the CATG and the Chairman of the Area Board.

<u>Meetings</u>

It is recommended that the CATG meet at least four times a year. Meetings are intended to be limited to the Membership set out above, and is open to other members of the Area Board who wish to attend. It can be open to public if the Area Board wishes to do so. It should be noted that CATG is not a constitutional or decision making body and hence proceedings will not be minuted by Democratic Services.

Officer Support

Meetings will be attended by relevant officers from Wiltshire Council including a senior transport planner, a senior traffic engineer and a local highway maintenance engineer as necessary.

Terms of Reference

The CATG has no formal decision making authority on operational matters or budget expenditure but acts as an informal discussion forum making recommendations to the Area Board. Recommendations must be agreed at a full CATG meeting before being brought to the next Area Board for approval.

The CATG's full terms of reference are attached:

Terms of Reference

1. Small scale transport schemes – discretionary funding

To make recommendations to the Area Board to determine priorities and levels of expenditure required for small scale transport schemes in the community area. A discretionary highways budget has been allocated to the board by the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport. The funding allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure. It is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport and improve traffic management. It cannot be used to fund revenue functions such as maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services. Schemes considered by the CATG should have first been raised through the community issues system and endorsed by the relevant town or parish council.

In choosing their local transport schemes Area Boards will need to be mindful of the priorities of the Local Transport Plan and the likely availability of future funding for implementation.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-021-10)

2. Small scale transport schemes - substantive funding

To submit bids for funding from the centrally held substantive funds. A scheme qualifies as substantive if the estimated cost is in excess of the total discretionary amount available.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-026-11)

3. Speed Indication Devices

To make recommendations to the Area Board as to the locations for speed indicator devices (SIDs) in line with the guidance issued by the Cabinet Member for Highways.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-023-11)

4. C & UC roads speed limit review

To make recommendations to the Area Board as to the priority routes for review on C Class and unclassified roads in accordance with the guidance issued by the Cabinet Member for Highways.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-027-11)

5. Waiting restrictions

To make recommendations to the Area Board regarding waiting restrictions in areas where the Town or Parish Councils do not wish to undertake this function.

(Cabinet Member Decision HT-031-11)

6. Other decisions

To make recommendations to the Area Board regarding any other local highways issues when requested.

Campus & Operational Estate Management Workstream

Draft Terms of Reference for Shadow Community Operations Board

1 Background

On 15 February 2011 Wiltshire Council's Cabinet approved the implementation of the Campus and Operational Delivery Programme. The Programme will:

- Work with local communities to develop, facilitate and deliver community campus buildings across Wiltshire
 which seek to co-locate existing Council and partners services in one accessible location (or possibly more if
 appropriate) in a community area.
- Carry out the development of campus facilities in line with the Campus and Operational Management workstream principles (noted in section 2 of this document).
- Implement the Preliminary Management Project which will test the potential to develop some form of community driven strategic non -profit distributing organisation to deliver and support public services across Wiltshire.

Some of the benefits that the Council is seeking to achieve from a campus are:

- Accessible facilities that accurately reflect the specific needs of the local area being served.
- Reducing the Council's estate producing an estimated 40% reduction in operational costs across all estate (this is an estimation based upon an initial assessment of the impact of the Workplace Transformation Programme which preceded the Campus and Operational Delivery Programme).
- Combining point of contact arrangements and improving accessibility to services.
- Developing and providing sustainable and energy efficient buildings.
- Ensuring long term flexibility in terms of the use of space is fundamental to the design.
- Developing the synergies between the management of individual services at a community level.
- Working with communities to develop a coherent and effective volunteering policy relevant to the local campus.
- Reducing the current overall risk to the Council from aging, disparate and inefficient buildings.
- Increased, beneficial and sustainable partnership working.

Fundamental to the successful implementation of the programme is the commitment to empower local people to have a direct influence on the delivery of public services in their area. This supports the concepts of Localism and the decentralisation of decision making to local communities.

The Preliminary Management Project will initially be focused on Corsham, Melksham, Pewsey, Tisbury and Wootton Bassett. This will encompass the creation of Shadow Community Operations Boards, reporting into the Area Board who will make final recommendations to Cabinet for their consideration. The Shadow Community Operations Boards, will, subject to the agreement of the Area Board, take on a key role in coordinating and leading communications, influencing, and local engagement This will cover areas such as the consultation processes, commenting on facility design and development and the ongoing indirect management and strategic planning of the resulting campus facility.

The preliminary management project will be in place from April 2011 through to April 2013 unless the Council determines otherwise.

2 Campus Management Principles

The Shadow Community Operations Board will need to work with the Council and its partners to ensure that the following approved principles are delivered:

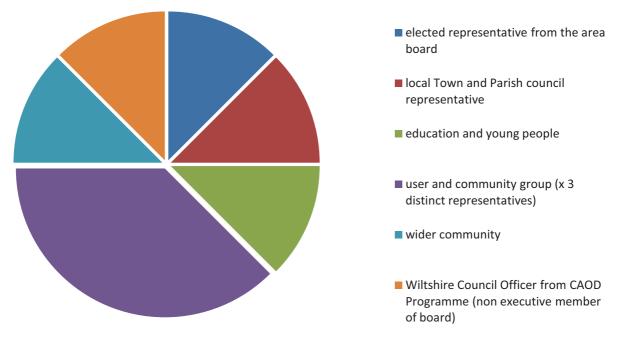
- (i) Create an environment which empowers local people to directly influence the delivery and improvement of unique needs based services in their community.
- (ii) Ensure a singularity of vision to enable local needs to be foremost in strategic planning and operational service delivery.
- (iii) Be proactive in meeting economic challenges and widen the scope for investment in services and assets.
- (iv) Share the accountability for service delivery with the community and partners.



- (v) Secure a sustainable and innovative form of management that complements the evolving national context of the localisation of service delivery.
- (vi) Promote social inclusion and resilience by increasing accessible opportunities for volunteering and community involvement
- (vii) Make specific provision for accessible opportunities for partnership working.
- (viii) Provide accessible local decision making processes and governance structures.
- (ix) Provide opportunities for a consistent and sustainable support network for the voluntary and community sector in Wiltshire.
- (x) Provide a consistent strategic vehicle for all services in a locality that is financially robust and able to respond to the changing face of the public and community service delivery rather than a range of competing initiatives based on existing service models.

3 Membership

The shadow community operations board membership will be determined by the Area Board and should consist of an appropriate, mutually agreeable representative from the following broad sectors of the local community area:



- (i) There will be one representative for each party identified.
- (ii) The board will need to nominate a chairperson at its inaugural meeting.
- (iii) The board will need to determine if the suggested representation appropriately reflects the description of the party.
- (iv) There will be up to three representatives identified by the user and community group sector and approved by the Area Board. Such representatives should be selected so as to ensure proper representation from distinct interest groups within that sector.
- (v) The Wiltshire Council liaison representative will be an officer from the Campus and Operational Delivery Programme team and will be invited to sit on the board as a non-executive party.
- (vi) Each party should endeavour to be represented at each formal meeting.
- (vii) Each executive party will have equal rights.

4 Roles and responsibility

4.1 Community leadership & engagement

- (i) On behalf of the Area Board, provide effective community leadership and accountability for the preliminary management project and ensure the workstream principles are met.
- (ii) As required by the Area Board, to effectively manage the communications of the project within the community area and to liaise with the officer working group to ensure any locally focused communications plan complements the wider strategic communications plan.

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- (iii) To make representation to the Area Board based on ongoing community engagement and consultation to determine or recommend levels of services provided within each phase of the project.
- (iv) To work with the Area Board to identify local partners and facilitation and support of sustainable partnership working.

4.2 Responsibility for outcomes

- (i) To define community need and make recommendations to the Area Board over facility specification and operations.
- (ii) Support the Area Board in the delivery of the campus building.
- (iii) On behalf of the Area Board develop, and subject to future cabinet approval, implement a local volunteering strategy (specific framework for the engagement and management of volunteers) to support the campus.
- (iv) Influence the campus design and specification where appropriate by recommendation to the Area Board
- (v) Positive engagement in the ongoing strategic planning, programming and operation of the campus

4.3 Project coordination and reporting

- (i) To develop a community led action plan that clearly sets out the approach the shadow board will take and seek Area Board approval for this
- (ii) To assist the Campus and Operational Delivery Team in developing, managing and monitoring the progress and delivery of an action plan
- (iii) To assess any potential risks and advise the Campus Management Working Group and Area Board accordingly.
- (iv) To develop a marketing plan and strategy, to be supported by the Council, that sets out the proposed approach to maximising sustainable community use of the campus facility, subject to approval by the Area Board and Wiltshire Council Cabinet
- (v) To ensure a co-ordinated community approach to the engagement, development and operation of a campus facility.
- (vi) To report progress and make recommendations to the Area Board and officer working group for improved services, community orientated services based upon need, facility development and local opinion
- (vii) Partner role in the wider not for profit distributing management options and governance appraisal

4.4 The role of Wiltshire Council

- (i) The ultimate responsibility for all service delivery and responsibility for the delivery of the Campus will remain with the Council for the duration of the preliminary management project.
- (ii) There may be elements or decisions required within the preliminary management project that will need to be determined by elected members of the Area Board or Cabinet following recommendation to them by the Area Board
- (iii) The Council will endeavour to support the approach the Shadow Community Operations Board takes where that approach supports the principles set out in section two of this document and has been supported by the Area Board

5 Outcomes

- (i) The local community and partners in the widest sense are informed and proactively engaged with the process of delivering and the future operation of a community campus.
- (ii) The community campus is delivered within the timescales set, with full proactive engagement from the local community and the service delivery meets local needs.
- (iii) The community-led aspect of campus delivery is clearly defined, managed and continually assessed to ensure maximum use of the facility by the local community and continued engagement in concept of local people directly influencing the delivery of local services.

6 Confidentiality

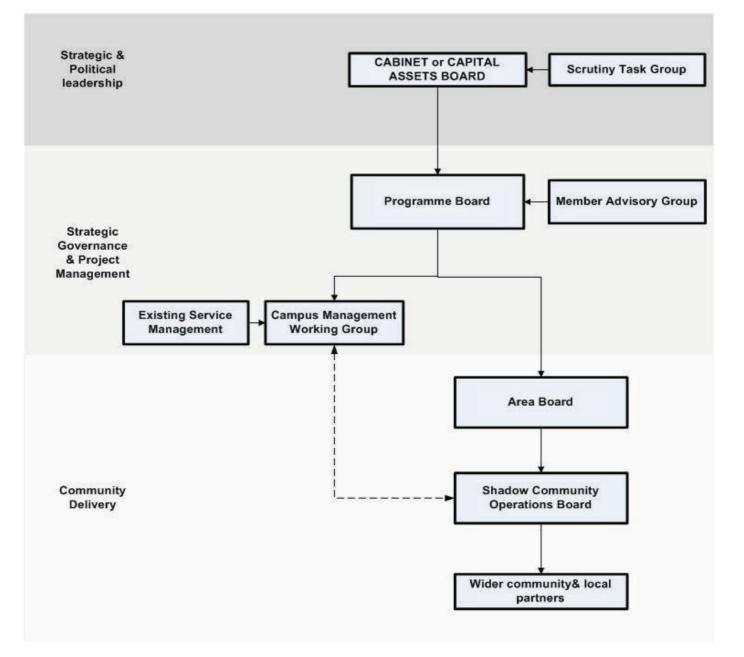
Whilst most information provided by the council or other participants or partners will be non-confidential in nature there may be occasions when due to the commercial nature of discussions or where matters are relevant to policy development by the council, it may request that individual information or items are confidential. Should any participant be unable to respect this request they must absent themselves from the meeting prior to discussion and consideration of the relevant item.

7 Governance Arrangements

The project remit currently extends up to April 2013. Prior to this there is a need to implement an interim governance structure that provides an appropriate framework to operate. It should be noted that managerial responsibility for operations, health and safety, staff etc remains with the Council for the duration of the project however there is scope for the Shadow Community Operations Board to influence, plan and programme services, subject to Cabinet approval following a recommendation from the Area Board. A chart showing the relationships between the various parties is noted below.

- (i) The Shadow Community Operations Board will meet as necessary and as determined by the Board.
- (ii) The Shadow Community Operations Board will be chaired by a representative elected by the Board.
- (iii) The Shadow Community Operations Board will report to the Area Board, but where request to do so by the Area Board, may provide advice directly to the Campus Management Working group, which is a cross departmental officer team coordinated by the Campus and Operational Delivery Programme.
- (iv) The administration of the Shadow Community operations Board will be the responsibility of the Board itself.
- (v) There may be occasions whereby sub-groups of the Shadow Community Operations Board will be necessary. In this instance any sub-group will report directly to the Shadow Community Operations Board in governance terms.

Preliminary Management Project Governance Arrangements





MINUTES

Meeting: PEWSEY AREA BOARD

Place: Coronation Hall, The Green, East Grafton SN8 3DB

Date: 14 May 2012

Start Time: 7.00 pm

Finish Time: 9.00 pm

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chairman) Cllr Stuart Wheeler (Vice Chairman) Cllr Brigadier Robert Hall

Wiltshire Council Officers

Ian Gibbons – Director Legal and Democratic Services Caroline Brailey – Pewsey Community Area Manager Rachel Goff – Project Manager Karen Scott – Community Manager Simone Lord – Volunteer Centre Wiltshire Donna Mountford – Marketing Officer Ian White – Head of Service, Passenger Transport

Parish Councils

Alton Parish Council – Steve Hepworth Charlton and Wilsford Parish Council – Tim Fowle Easton Parish Council – Hew Helps Enford Parish Council – Ken Monk Grafton Parish Council – Susie Brew Great Bedwyn Parish Council – James Raff Little Bedwyn Parish Council – Richard Pugh, Andrew Moore North Newnton Parish Council – Carolyn Whistler Pewsey Parish Council – Bob Woodward, Brian Tubb, Terry Eyles, Caroline Dalrymple Rushall Parish Council – John Rogers, Colin Gale Stanton St Bernard Parish Council – Michael Frankton, Joyce Hale, Wendy Tarver

Partners

Wiltshire Police – Ron Peach Wiltshire Fire and Rescue – Mike Franklin Pewsey Community Area Partnership (PCAP) – Bob King Bedwyn Trains Passenger Group – Steve Smith Pewsey SCOB – Curly Haskell, Tom Hatfield, David Line, Caroline Maddocks, John Rogers, Wendy Spencer, Bob Woodward

Total in attendance: 57

<u>Agenda</u> <u>Item No.</u>	Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision
1	Welcome and Introductions
	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Area Board Members and officers.
2	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies for absence had been received from:
	Manningford Parish Council Upavon Parish Council Woodborough Parish Council and Road Safety Group Easton Royal Primary School
3	Minutes
	<u>Decision</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2012 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest.
5	Chairman's Announcements
	The Chairman drew the Board's attention to the Announcements provided within the agenda, namely:
	 a) Your say on local waste and recycling sites b) Help to Live at Home scheme c) Review of polling districts and polling places d) Rural Facilities Survey e) Pathway Improvements Grants Scheme f) Chairman's Annual Report g) Jubilee Event held on 1 May 2012
	Additional information was provided as follows:
	Help to Live at Home
	An event was to be held at Devizes Corn Exchange on Saturday 26 May between 10:30am to 3:30pm. Those wishing to attend should contact WIN directly to register.

	ubilee Event held on 1 May 2012	
	The Pewsey Area Board tent had been visited by the Queen and Prince I The work undertaken by Susie Brew, June Pearson and Caroline Bra articular to dress the tent was acknowledged.	
	Clarification was provided by Susie Brew that the posters, timelines and rearea which were displayed in the tent could be hired for those interestisplaying the material. Further details on how to book the material cound on the Grafton Parish Website (<u>www.graftonparish.com</u>).	sted in
6	Partner Updates	
	a) <u>Wiltshire Police</u>	
	Inspector Ron Peach referred the meeting to the written update agenda. Key points raised included:	in the
	 End of year performance figures show that crime had reduce the year by 18%. There was also an increase in detection of 	
	 All vacant positions within the Pewsey area had now been fil was hoped this would allow further improvement in the reduc antisocial behaviour. 	
	 There had been a couple of noticeable incidents within the la months mainly in relation to rural crime. This included coursing where arrests had been made. 	
	 Non-dwelling burglaries remained an issue but continued addressed. 	to be
	b) <u>Wiltshire Fire and Rescue</u>	
	Mike Franklin, of Wiltshire Fire and Rescue, referred the meeting written update. Following a question received in relation to re firemen, the Board were reminded that a consultation was cu underway which included proposals to alter the way firefighters of Retained Duty System worked, as presented to the Board at its pro- meeting. The closing date for the consultation was 5 June 2012.	tained rrently on the
	c) <u>NHS Wiltshire</u>	
	The update circulated with the agenda was noted.	
	d) Pewsey Community Area Partnership	
	Bob King, Chairman of the Pewsey Community Area Partnership (F	PCAP)

		gave an update on the work of PCAP. This included:
		that PCAP were hoping to appoint to the part-time coordinator position as soon as possible.
		• That PCAP were hoping to appoint to the part-time coordinator position as soon as possible.
		• That PCAP were currently looking for a chairman of a sub-group following a recent resignation.
		• The next meeting would be held on 14 June in Rushall which would include representatives in attendance to discuss housing in rural areas.
	(e)	Parish Councils
		Pewsey Parish Council were looking for volunteers for 'Parkwatch', which was a group that had been established to patrol areas around Pewsey in the evening to help alleviate damage being caused.
		Inspector Ron Peach confirmed that there were several street warden schemes across the country which had proved very effective and invited Bob Woodward to speak with Wiltshire Police to ensure a coordinated approach.
		Cllr Hall provided the Board with an update on the Great Stones Way which included:
		• That Bathe Association had been employed to draft an impact assessment by the Friends of the Ridgeway (the Group that had proposed the Great Stones Way (GSW)).
		 During a recent meeting each village in attendance had been given 5 minutes each to explain their interest in the GSW with many points raised in objection.
		 Representatives from Friends of the Ridgeway agreed to visit the proposed route which, it was noted did not include Stonehenge nor Avebury along the route.
	(f)	Pewsey Community Area Young People's Issues Group (CAYPIG)
		No update was provided.
7	Pews	ey Campus - Shadow Community Operations Board (SCOB)
	The F	Pewsey Shadow Community Operations Board (SCOB) was formed by the

Area Board on 9 May 2011 to examine the opportunities of 'localising' and maximising on time-sharing of some council services with SCOT members appointed in July 2011.

An initial consultation was undertaken by the SCOB in August/September 2011 and a report with details of the work undertaken and working proposals for the next stage circulated at the Area Board meeting held in October 2011.

A further consultation exercise, which built on the results of the first, was subsequently undertaken from November 2011. A report providing further details on the outcome of this consultation and working proposals arising was presented where the following points were raised:

- That the proposals reflected an intention to bring services back into the community.
- Consultation highlighted that the essential elements of the campus should include leisure, youth, community and satellite services, that these needed to be sustainable for the next 25 years and that the campus should add value to the community and not divert away from the present facilities.
- A workshop was to be held at Pewsey Vale School on 23 May at 7pm to discuss factors that could preclude people from using the campus to ensure nobody is excluded.
- Transport had been taken into consideration as part of the SCOB's proposals.
- Feasibility studies would be done by the Design and Build Team who, should the Board support the recommendations proposed, would hold their first meeting on Friday 18 May. The outcomes of these studies would help guide the case that would be presented to Cabinet.
- The business case to be submitted to Cabinet would be modelled on previous campus proposals to Cabinet. This included the Corsham Campus which, although much larger, as a split campus was similar to the proposals for Pewsey.
- The business case to Cabinet would also include details on future ownership and management structures.

Upon conclusion of discussion the Board were asked to support the proposals within the report.

Decision:

That the Pewsey Area Board supported the proposals for the development

	of a community campus and would make the following recommendations to Cabinet:
	• To support a split-site community campus including the present Leisure/Youth complex, the library and a mobile facility, as defined within the report and ensure that the campus included as many of the services required as possible;
	• To develop and deliver the proposed campus with minimum disruption to existing services and facilities to the extent possible; and
	• Request that Cabinet consider the SCOB proposals and associated business case in September 2012.
8	Volunteering in Wiltshire
	The Community Manager, Volunteering Department, was in attendance to present to the Board the work being undertaken with partners to develop and support volunteering in Wiltshire. The presentation also included the work taken to increase the number of people volunteering in Council funded youth centres.
	In making the presentation the following additional information was provided:
	The Volunteer Centre was trying out a new approach to volunteering with 'time credits'. The scheme (currently piloting in Chippenham and Salisbury) was hoped to encourage people to get involved in their local community. For each hour's volunteer work undertaken a time credit would be earned which could then be exchanged for activities, i.e. hiring a sports hall or a swimming session.
	Rural areas were also being considered as part of the pilot scheme with Pewsey suggested as a possible area for future roll out. Attendees were asked to consider what type of activities volunteers might wish to spend their time credits on in the area and to feed this information back to the Community Manager.
	Contact details for Volunteer Centre Wiltshire are:
	volunteercentre@growwiltshire.org.uk www.volunteercentrewiltshire.org.uk Tel: 0845 521 6224
9	Review of Local Bus Services
	A report on the consultation in relation to proposed changes to the Marlborough – Bedwyn – Hungerford bus service was provided with the agenda.
	The Head of Service, Passenger Transport, was in attendance to inform the Board of the proposed changes and to seek assistance to identify the impact of the proposals and alternatives to meet local transport needs, taking into

	consideration that the current service can no longer be provided in a cost-effective way.
	In presenting the report the following points were made:
	A consultation information sheet was provided with the agenda with details of the proposed service change.
	There were a series of reviews on bus services across the county in part due to a need to make cost savings. As part of the consultation the needs of rural areas were being sought.
	A questionnaire was being developed and was hoped to be finalised shortly for distribution on buses to seek the views of passengers.
	Two proposals had been put forward for consideration within the information pack. Feedback was sought from the Board in helping the unit to identify any hardship as a result of the proposals, including whether individuals were no longer able to make specific journeys without the current service.
	The proposed service change was to reduce the cost of providing services by reorganising the timetable so that it was operated by fewer vehicles and drivers whilst retaining links to Marlborough and Hungerford from most villages at a time when they were most needed.
	Parish and Town Councils and other groups were encouraged to respond to the consultation which closed on 30 June 2012. Responses can be sent by post to the Passenger Transport Unit or by e-mail to <u>buses@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> .
10	Informal Adult Education in Wiltshire
	Wiltshire Council currently provides informal adult education through public libraries, the Family Learning Team and through Urchfont Manor College (due to close in September 2012).
	A review of the provision and support of informal adult education is now being undertaken and the views of the Board on the future policy were sought.
	Four options were outlined within the report circulated of which the Area Board is asked to comment and indicate which of the options outlined it would wish to be recommended to Cabinet for consideration.
	The Service Director for Law and Governance was in attendance to present the report where the following key information was provided:
	Informal Adult Education was a non-statutory service that the Council provided.
	The four options for consideration, inclusive of pros and cons for each, were

	presented. These were:
	Option 1 - Take no action Option 2 - Council to be direct provider Option 3 - Council to facilitate provision Option 4 - Council to co-ordinate and promote activities
	An on-line questionnaire survey of service users and the public was open until 27 June 2012. Paper copies were also available from public libraries until 15 June 2012.
	Following the consultation a report would be prepared and would be presented to Cabinet in September 2012.
	Upon questions received, clarification was provided that Urchfont Manor was expected to be placed on the open market within the next few weeks where the Council would seek to secure the best offer in order to ensure value for money.
	Upon discussion those in attendance were asked to vote on the options provided. The outcome was as follows:
	Option $1 - 13\%$ Option $2 - 17\%$ Option $3 - 42\%$ Option $4 - 21\%$ Option 5 (other) - 8%
	The votes of the Board were noted and would be taken into consideration within the final report.
11	CATG Update
	The Chairman provided an update regarding the work of the Community Area Transport Group (CATG). This included that the Group had met on 19 April 2012 to consider and prioritise requests for integrated transport schemes. Recommendations on the schemes to be funded from the limited transport budget were provided within the report circulated with the agenda.
	The report included recommendations to the Board for:
	Review of C and Unclassified Roads Area Board Issues 2201 request from Burbage Parish Council to move 30mph limit sign Addition to SID Rota Manningford request for weight restriction CATG Priority List Applications for Substantive Funding

In addition the issue of HGV Signage in Devizes through A342/A345 was raised. It was acknowledged that the consultation had ended on 4 May and that responses were being considered for the report to be prepared by the Cabinet member for Transport.

It was hoped that by the next meeting of the Board in July a more detailed and full update would be provided.

Decision:

Review of C and Unclassified Roads

The roads put forward for review are:

Priority 1 - C8 (the road from Pewsey to Devizes through Wilcot, Alton, Stanton) Priority 2 - C38 (the road through Alton, Woodborough, Hilcot)

Priority 3 - C52 (the road from Prospect through Manningford and Wilcot crossroads)

The third priority will only be taken forward if the top two priorities can't be taken forward for whatever reason.

Area Board Issue 2201 request from Burbage Parish Council to move 30mph limit sign.

The Community Area Manager (CAM) to write to Burbage Parish Council and advise that the only way to have the road assessed would be if they would agree to pay the legal fees if the assessment is in favour of the change noting that it may not meet the criteria and that the legal fees are anticipated to be approximately £3,000.

Addition to SID Rota

That Eastcourt Road, Burbage would be added to the SID rota.

Manningford request for weight restriction

That the Area Board agrees that the correct process has been followed and that the Community Area Manager (CAM) would contact the Parish Council to inform them accordingly.

Issue 1957 Traffic Calming/Crossing Woodborough School

That the issue be closed as funding has been awarded for this scheme.

CATG Priority List

	To agree the priority list as provided with the agenda
	Applications for Substantive Funding
	That the Area Board agrees to the applications for substantive funding to be made (Wilcot Road Junction Improvements £8,000 and Pedestrian Access to Pewsey Station £4,000) and that it agrees to an additional £10,000 being ring-fenced from the Area Board budget as a contribution towards the Pedestrian access to Pewsey station scheme which will only be required if both bids are approved.
12	Community Issues
	Councillor Stuart Wheeler updated the meeting on the Community Issues which had been received by the Area Board.
	The update was noted.
13	Community Area Grants
	The Area Board considered a number of applications for Community Area Grant funding. The Chairman invited the local Councillor to introduce each application, following which a representative of the applicant was given an opportunity to give a brief overview of their project to the Area Board.
	<u>Decision</u> Shalbourne Cricket Club was awarded £938 towards the cost of developing the Junior Section. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2011/12 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities.
	<u>Decision</u> Great Bedwyn Playgroup and Toddlers was awarded £644 towards a laptop and children's furniture. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2012/13 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities, including the provision of quality pre-school education.
	<u>Decision</u> 1 st Upavon Scout Group was awarded £534 towards the reopening of the scout group. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2012/13 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities, including providing activities for young people aged between 8-12 years old.
	<u>Decision</u> Alton Barnes Village Hall Committee was awarded £500 towards the commemoration of 200 th anniversary of the cutting of the Alton White

	Horse. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2012/13 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities, including encouraging use of the Village Hall as a community focal point.
	<u>Decision</u> Rushall and Charlton Village Hall was awarded £1,000 towards security/safety lighting. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2012/13 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities, including energy efficiency.
	Decision Easton Royal Village Hall Committee was awarded £400 towards heating controls for the Hall. <u>Reason</u> The application met the Community Area Grants criteria for 2012/13 and would support several Pewsey Community Plan priorities, including energy conservation and will help support voluntary organisations and community groups.
	<u>Decision</u> Little Bedwyn Parish Council, Wootton Rivers Parish Council and Wilcot & Huisyh Parish Council were awarded £250 each (total £750) towards Jubilee funding.
14	Urgent Business
	A request from Upavon Parish Council was made for the Board's approval to approach Highways for an assessment to be made in relation to their request for the switch off of lights in Andover Road.
	Decision: That the matter would be referred to the appropriate Highways Officer with clarification that this was with the support of the Area Board.
15	Future Meeting Dates and Close
	The next meeting of the Pewsey Area Board was scheduled for Monday 2 July 2012, 7pm at Bouverie Hall, Goddard Road, Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 5QE.
	Future meeting dates will be held on:
	Monday 10 September 2012 at Bouverie Hall, Goddard Road, Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 5QE
	Monday 12 November 2012 at Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage, Wiltshire, SN8 3AJ
	The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

Agenda Item 8 Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Detailed Briefing Document on the Localism Act
Officer Contact Details:	Alissa Davies, Principal Policy Officer – alissa.davies@wiltshire.gov.uk, 01225 713380
Weblink:	http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/localismact.htm

Summary of announcement:

The Localism Act received Royal Assent on 15 November 2011. Although the Act contains a number of important measures, not all of the measures are in force. It will not be clear how the measures will work in practice until the government publishes regulations and guidance which are still awaited.

The council has produced a detailed briefing document on the Localism Act which includes:

- an overview of the main components of the Localism Act
- the estimated timescales for measures to be introduced and regulations to be published - please see the 'Status' section for each measure
- the potential implications of the Localism Act for Wiltshire
- information on next steps for Wiltshire Council (and contact details for the lead officers for each part of the Act)

The briefing document is available online and copies are being made available to Town and Parish Councils via Area Board meetings.

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Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Pewsey Joint Strategic Assessment
Officer Contact Details:	Caroline Brailey, Community Area Manager

Pewsey Joint Strategic Assessment

A meeting was held in January 2012 to discuss the outcomes of the Joint Strategic Assessment alongside the Pewsey Community Area Plan. There were tables based on the 8 themes of the Community Area Plan:

Each table was asked to identify one or two priorities arising from their discussions – these were as follows

Community Safety

- Improve Level of Policing
- Response to Anti-Social Behaviour
- Speeding

Arts Culture Leisure

Collecting and Collating information on all local facilities and activities and resources for sharing and linking clubs, schools, villages for: Sports, culture, leisure and that includes evening classes and indoor, mobile sports and transport

Health & Wellbeing

- Dementia
- Intergenerational awareness
- Access to GP appointments
- Access to Health Visitor
- Delayed discharge from hospital

Transport

• Solve pedestrian access problems to Pewsey rail station

Housing

Local people for local houses

Children & Young People

- Older people cannot access benefits or get to jobs (NEETS) and courses
- 8-11 year olds, need more provision for this age gap
- All 26 villages in the community area have their own Olympic Games!.

Economy Jobs Skills

- Training for job skills/Apprenticeship (work readiness for youth employment)
- Increase employment sites/improve awareness of available employment
- Tourism opportunities/provision of visitor facilities/business accommodation to catch national interest/marketing of tourism provision

Environment

- Improving access to the countryside, footpaths and rights of way, including prevention of 4x4 activities and general awareness of countryside activities especially for young people
- Monitoring impact of Great Stones Way and ensuring the scheme is managed in a way

Chairman's Announcements

sympathetic to the needs and concerns of local communities

At the March meeting of the Pewsey Area Board the results of these discussions were circulated and people were asked to let us know which of the priorities they would like the Pewsey Area Board to adopt for the coming year. We only heard back from one parish council.

Councillors Jerry Kunkler, Stuart Wheeler and Robert Hall have considered the priorities and have selected the following:-

Arts Culture Leisure

Collecting and Collating information on all local facilities and activities and resources for sharing and linking clubs, schools, villages for: Sports, culture, leisure and that includes evening classes and indoor, mobile sports and transport

Transport

Solve pedestrian access problems to Pewsey rail station

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Paths for Communities – Grant Opportunity for Parishes
Officer Contact Details:	Michael Crook, Countryside Access Development Officer 01225 713349
Weblink:	http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/access/rightsofway/p4c.aspx
Further details available:	DavidAndrews@visitwiltshire.co.uk Tel: 01722 341941

Summary of Announcement:

Natural England has launched a new Paths For Communities Grant scheme enabling community groups and partnerships to improve their local public rights of way network. The fund totals £2 million, to be spent before May 2014.

Paths For Communities grant is designed to improve the rights of way network and must include a new right of way either in the form of a new physical path or higher rights such as upgrading a footpath to a bridleway or restricted byway. Funding has come from the Rural Development Programme for England and any scheme must be able to demonstrate benefit to the rural economy and rural populations.

Applications for funding from £5,000 to £150,000 can be submitted by local communities or broader partnerships. Landowner support, in agreeing a voluntary path creation, is essential at the outset. The Fund is open NOW and all application agreements have to be made by the end of December 2013. The process is competitive so it's important to ensure your project secures as many benefits as possible.

As with all grants no work on the project can start before the application is approved. Natural England's Local Grants Officer will discuss any potential projects with the applicant following submission of an initial "Expression of Interest". This form is available on the website above.

Normally 75% of the project will be funded and no additional public funding is allowed for the remaining 25% and this includes National Lottery money. However, there is some flexibility to allow up to 100% funding.

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Crime and Community Safety Briefing Paper Pewsey Community Area Board 2nd July 2012

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1. Neighbourhood Policing

Team Sgt: Vincent Logue

Pewsey West Team

Beat Manager – PC Richard Barratt PCSO – Helen Ringstead PCSO – Joe Sadd

Pewsey East Team

Beat Manager – PC Teresa Herbert PCSO - Melissa Camilleri

2. NPTs - Current Priorities & Consultation Opportunities:

Up-to-date details about Neighbourhood Policing Teams including team membership, current priorities and forthcoming community consultation events can be found on our Wiltshire Police Website.

Visit the new and improved website at: www.wiltshire.police.uk

3. Police Authority Representative:

Mrs Gill Mortimer is a member of the Wiltshire Police Authority and has the responsibility for overseeing matters in the community area.

Please contact via Wiltshire Police Authority Tel. 01380 734022 or <u>http://www.wiltshire-pa.gov.uk/feedback.asp</u>

4. Performance and Other Local Issues

You may notice a slight change to the team above. With the arrival of PCSO Melissa Camilleri who works with PC Teresa Herbert on the Pewsey East beat, we have moved PCSO Joe Sadd to Pewsey West to assist PCSO Helen Ringstead and PC Richard Barratt. Pewsey West is statistically the busier beat which also covers Pewsey village.

At the end of May, PC Steve Duffy from the dog section along with PC Herbert carried out passive drugs dog patrols, concentrating on licensed premises in the Pewsey area. The passive drugs dog (Patch) is trained to indicate to its handler when it detects drugs. The dog does this by sitting down and looking at the source of the scent. Five public houses were visited, as well as patrols being conducted in the streets. Patch indicated to his handler a total of five people who were then searched, two men in 2 of the public houses and one man in the North Street were found to have drugs in their possession and received street cautions, the other two persons did not have drugs. In addition, a group of 16 year olds were found in possession of alcohol which was confiscated and their parents informed. More operations like this are to come.

In May, the public toilets at Pewsey were damaged and a 16 year old local youth was identified as a suspect and arrested. Initially, this youth denied responsibility but due to the overwhelming evidence gathered by NPT officers against him, during his second interview, he admitted the offence and received a youth reprimand.

Crime Figures.

Below are the crime figures for the Pewsey area for the past year. The figures are, once again, excellent but we will not be complacent and will continue to target those individuals who commit the bulk of the crime here, whether they live here or travel here to commit crime.

You will see that recorded crime has reduced in every area except in the category of Criminal Damage and Arson where there has been about one extra incident per month over the year. However, the detection rate in this category has almost doubled.

Detection rates have increased or remained static in all but one of the categories. The detection rate for violence against the person has dropped by 14% but at 39% is still strong. Dwelling burglaries have seen an 18% drop and the detection rate has increased from 5% to 22%

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EC Pewsey	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012	Volume Change	% Change	June 2010 - May 2011	June 2011 - May 2012
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Victim Based Crime	408	373	-35	-9%	10%	13%
Domestic Burglary	22	18	-4	-18%	5%	22%
Non Domestic Burglary	100	75	-25	-25%	0%	0%
Vehicle Crime	62	62	0	0%	0%	2%
Criminal Damage & Arson	71	84	13	18%	8%	15%
Violence Against The Person	51	51	0	0%	53%	39%
ASB Incidents (Year to Date)	45	35	-10	-22%		

Wiltshire Police are compared against a group of 8 most similar forces. Wiltshire Police have performed in line with peers and better than average for Victim Based Crime and Violence Against the Person in the previous 12 month period (May 2011 - April 2012)

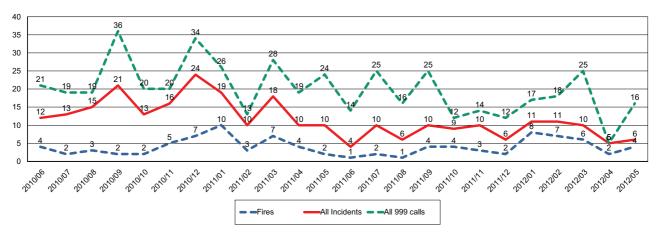
* Detections include both Sanction Detections and Local Resolution

Inspector Ron Peach 02/07/12 Area Commander



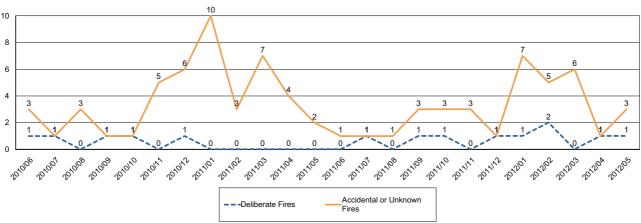
Report for Pewsey Area Board

The following is an update of Fire and Rescue Service activity up to and including May. It has been prepared using the latest information and is subject to change.

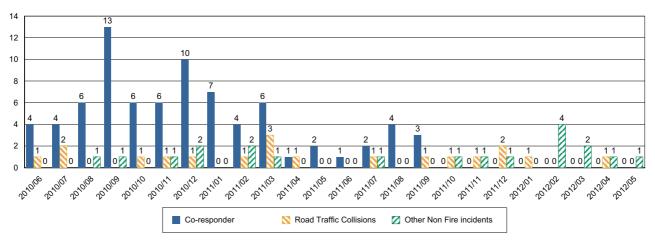


Incidents and Calls

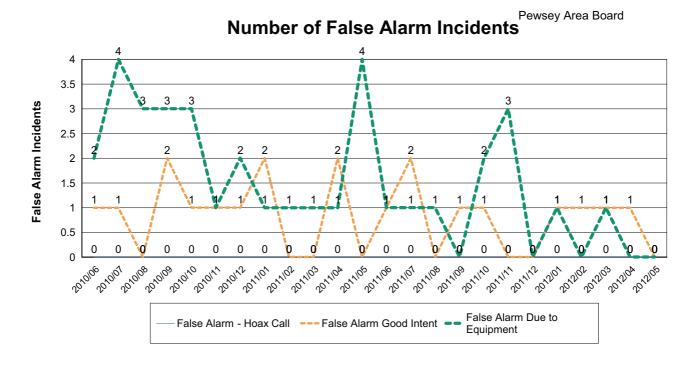
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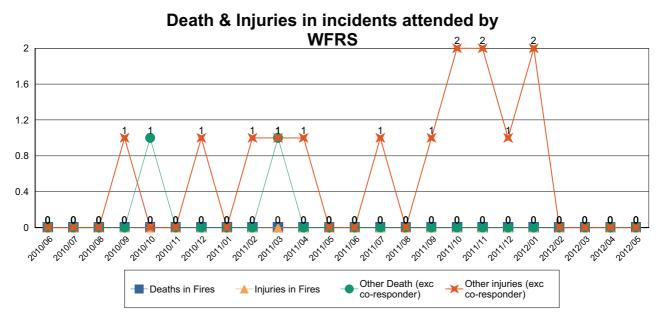


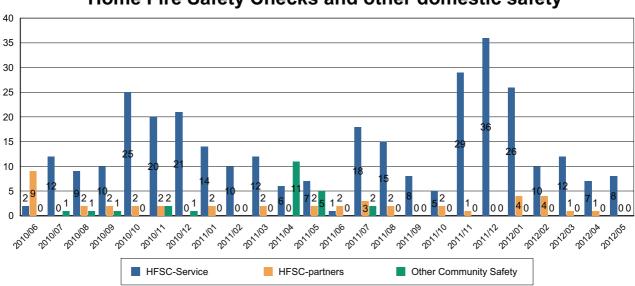
Non-Fire incidents attended by WFRS











Home Fire Safety Checks and other domestic safety

Comments and Interventions overleaf

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Pewsey Area Shadow COB Update to Pewsey Area Board 2nd July 2012

The proposals of the Shadow Community Operations Board (SCOB) having been approved by the Pewsey Area Board last month, the Campus plans have now gone to the next stage in their progress towards reality.

The SCOB met with members of the County Feasibility Team who will be responsible for the final format of the Campus, their report should be available for the SCOB's consideration by mid July.

One further development has been the setting up of a Campus website enabling people in the Pewsey area and beyond to keep in touch with the progress of our new Campus.

The website will also contain information on the history and the future of the project as well as having a 'Contact Us' facility where you will be able to express your views and opinions, so watch out for the new website at <u>www.pewseyareacampus.co.uk</u>.

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Tackling Financial Exclusion Pewsey Area Board Monday 2 July 2012

What is financial exclusion?

Many people, particularly those living on low incomes, cannot access mainstream financial products such as bank accounts and low cost loans. This financial exclusion imposes real costs on individuals and their families - often the most vulnerable people in our society. It also has costs for the communities in which they live.

People who are financially excluded face many disadvantages, including:

- finding it hard to get a job as employers require bank accounts for direct credit of salaries
- paying more for utilities due to lack of access to discounts available for direct debit
- not being able to access affordable credit easily, so having to pay extremely high rates of interest to borrow from doorstep lenders or 'loansharks'
- lacking the financial buffer to manage unexpected financial pressures
- not being able to access impartial advice, particularly on debt problems

What is being done to tackle financial exclusion in Wiltshire?

Wiltshire Money is the lead body for financial inclusion and includes a number of organisations:

- Social housing landlords
- Wiltshire Citizens Advice
- Wiltshire Community Bank
- Nationwide
- Community First
- NHS Wiltshire
- Wiltshire Council

It provides a strategic framework for activity and its vision is:

To improve the quality of life of those in economic need through improved financial capability and better access to free money advice, financial products and services

Useful contacts and further information:

- Website for Wiltshire Money: <u>https://sites.google.com/site/wiltshiremoney/home</u>
- Film on Wiltshire Community Bank: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=5alT_uAvwmo&feature=youtu.be</u>
- Wiltshire Community Bank telephone 01249 248323 (to find out about your local credit union and collection point)
- Illegal Moneylending: To report a loan shark in confidence telephone 0300 555 2222
- Wiltshire Citizens Advice for free, independent and confidential advice: <u>www.cabwiltshire.org.uk</u> or telephone 0844 375 2775 (from a landline) or 0300 456 8375 (from a mobile)

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Area Board Issues as at 19 June 2012 Issue Location: Pewsey Community Area

ID	Division	Summary of Issue	Status	
72	Pewsey	Pedestrian Access to Pewsey Station	Remains as CATG/Area Board priority 1 and kept on hold until funding is available. A bid for substantive funding to be submitted.	
91	Vale	Traffic Calming/pavement in Rushall	Phase I complete – issue remains on CATG priority list until funds are available	
538	Vale	Speeding on the A342 and through Chirton	Stretch of A342 through Chirton is due to be reduced to 40mph. A speed survey concluded that the level of speeding through the village is below the threshold for community speed watch. The review of C and unclassified roads will not permit a 30mph to be reduced to a 20mph until the conclusion of the 20mph pilot scheme.	
1017	Pewsey	The lack of a safe crossing provision on Wilcot Road at the junction of the schools	Pewsey Primary School asked for a crossing to be considered by CATG/Pewsey Area Board. The TAOSJ bid was unsuccessful but there will be some changes made to the timing of the lights to allow for a break in traffic	
1594	B&B	Problems with commuters parking in residential area The Knapp Great Bedwyn	The Council will put in place advisory access protection and disabled parking bay road markings. Network Rail has applied for funding from the Department for Transport for an extension to the station car park. Any action with regard to enforceable restrictions has been deferred until the outcome is known and its impact evaluated.	
1605	Vale	Parking problem outside Chirton School	The parish council and school are working on a new travel plan	
1723	Vale	Speeding through Alton Priors	Parish Council undertaking Community Speed Watch. Area is on the list for twice yearly SID, waiting for location from Parish Council. Issue raiser still concerned - have asked NPT to carry out speed checks (01/06/12)	
1854	Pewsey	Reports of speeding on Ball Road Pewsey	Sent this issue to Pewsey Parish Council and NPT for comment and speed survey form for completion if they agree that this is an issue.	
1884	Pewsey	Footpath between Prospect and the French Horn	the Parish Council have agreed that this can be considered by CATG but it isn't a priority. It is on the CATG list.	
1931	Pewsey	Footpath needed from Sunnyhill Lane towards Prospect	^e This is on the CATG list	
1964	Vale	Footpath at Grey Flags, Upavon	This is on the CATG list - currently priority 4	
2139	Vale	To extend the length of the speed limit reduction to beyond Conock turning, and request SIDS to warn people	The Area Board has responded to the consultation to endorse the parish council's request for an extension. The SID signs are not allowed to be used in a 50mph limit so will not be considered until the 40mph limit is in place.	
2142	Vale	HGV Diversion Signs in Devizes	This is now out for consultation. There are two documents included with the consultation document and in both cases the conclusions drawn were not in favour of the A342/A345 routing both based	

			on substantiated evidence and requiring further detailed research and public consultation. Nothing further was done yet the signs were put up. CATG and the area board have written to ask that the signs be taken down pending the outcome of the consultation. The closing date was 04/05/2012, waiting for the results.
2202	B&B		Eastcourt Road eligible for Community Speed Watch and SID which is in progress - waiting to hear from highways re repeater signs
2255	Pewsey	Speeding at Prospect, Pewsey	Waiting for metro count form from Parish Council, and further advice from highways who were also looking at this issue
2339	B&B	Poor road surfaces in Great Bedwyn	Contacting highways about this issue

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Report to	Pewsey Area Board	
Date of Meeting	2 July 2012	
Title of Report	Area Board Grants	

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 2 applications seeking 20012/13 Community Area Grant Funding

- 1. Wootton Rivers Recreation Project to update and improve sports and recreation facilities, Seeking £5,000, Officer recommendation to approve **£2,140** conditional upon the remaining funding being sought/confirmed
- 2. St Michaels Parochial Church Council, Little Bedwyn Bells Restoration Project Seeking £5,000, officer recommendation to grant a lesser amount of £2,500 conditional upon the remaining funding being confirmed.

1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Adult Care, Communities and Housing (4 April 2012). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2012/2013.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. The emphasis in the Coalition Government's Localism agenda supports the ethos of volunteering and community involvement and the nurturing of resilient communities. With this in mind Community Area Grants (CAGs) should be encouraged from and awarded to community and voluntary groups. Likewise, Small Grants (new this year) should be awarded to similar groups, as well as unconstituted groups of people wanting to improve things near to where they live.
- 1.4. Pewsey Area Board has been allocated a 2012/2013 budget of £44,943 for community grants, small grants, community partnership core funding and area board/councillor led initiatives. The area board at its last meeting committed £9,772 which needs to be taken from this figure giving a starting balance in 2012/13 of £35,171 (see page 3 for current balance)
- 1.5. Applications of up to and including £1,000 can be made for a Community Area Grant, which will not require matched funding. Amounts of £1,000 £5000 will be required to find matched funding. The area board will rarely award more than £5,000.
- 1.6. Small Grants, new for this year will fund up to £350, where the total cost of the project does not exceed £350. This grant is aimed at enabling groups (including those not formally constituted) to implement projects, involving local people to make their community a better place to live.
- 1.7. Area boards will not consider Community Area Grant (CAG) applications from town and parish councils for purposes that relate to their statutory duties or powers that should be funded from the local town/parish precept. However this does not preclude bids from town/parish councils, encouraging community projects that provide new opportunities for local people or those functions that are not the sole responsibility of the town/parish council.
- 1.8. In addition to CAGs and Small Grants, councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle sticky community issues and/or community identified priorities. Cabinet have emphasised that they do not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls. The application process and form has been updated to bring it in line with the other grants.

- 1.9. Officers are required to provide recommendations in their funding reports (except in the case of Area Board/Councillor led initiatives), although the decision to support applications is made by Wiltshire Councillors on the Area Board.
- 1.10. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.11. Applicants are encouraged to contact and seek funding help from Charities Information Bureau (CIB) who work on behalf of Wiltshire Council. CIB support community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils to seek funding for community projects and schemes both from the Area Board and other local and national funding sources.
- 1.12. The 2012/2013 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) and paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.
- 1.13. A decision was been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.14. All recipients of area board funding are expected to complete and return an evaluation form as soon as the project or activity has been completed and this should be accompanied by receipts and invoices, as well as photographs if possible. Failure to return the evaluation requested will preclude them from being considered for any future funding from the area board. This applies to all grants made by the area board.
- 1.15. On 9 May 2011 it was agreed that in respect of urgent matters and exceptional circumstances that may arise from time to time between meetings that the Pewsey Community Area Manager, in consultation with the Councillors of the Pewsey Area Board, be granted delegated authority to approve expenditure not exceeding £500 from the Pewsey Area Board budget. A report explaining any such decision and the reasons why it was considered to be urgent shall be reported to the next ordinary meeting of the Pewsey Area Board.
- 1.16. A budget ring-fenced for the needs of young people will again be made available in 2012/2013. How this will be allocated will be the decision of the area board.
- 1.17. Pewsey Area Board has a separate Community Area Transport Group (CATG) budget of £12,377 for 2012/13.

Background	 Area Board Grant Guidance 2012/13 as presented for
documents used in the	delegated decision
preparation of this Report	Pewsey Community Area Plan

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2012/13 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 6 rounds of funding during 2012/2013. The first was in May 2012 and the second is contained in this report, the remaining will take place on;
 - 10 September 2012
 - 12 November 2012
 - 14 January 2013
 - Date to be confirmed March 2013

3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1. Area Board Grants contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Pewsey Area Board.
- 4.2. Since the last meeting a number of adjustments needed to be made to the balance, as follows:-

Balance following May grants - £30,405 Plus reimbursement from Burbage Village Hall as project didn't go ahead £2,500 Plus underspend from Jubilee Event held on 1 May £1,065 Less money ring fenced for Pewsey Station Project £10,000 Less Jubilee funding overpayment £25 Less PCAP Second tranche (to be claimed in Sept/Oct) £4,494

Balance £19,451

4.3. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Pewsey Area Board will have a balance of £14,811

5. Legal Implications

5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants and Small Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, town and parish council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 "Officer Recommendations".

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1	Wootton Rivers Recreation Project	Upgrade and improve sports and recreational facilities	£5,000

- 8.1.1. Officer recommendation to approve a reduced amount of £2,140 for reasons set out in 8.1.4 below Conditional upon the remaining funding being sought/ confirmed.
- 8.1.2. This application meets the grant criteria 2012/13
- 8.1.3. This application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan Page 24 6.6 lack of activities for young people aged 8 years to 12 years, encouraging volunteering 6.11 and improving sports, play and leisure facilities 6.7
- 8.1.4. The applicant is Wootton Rivers Recreation Project and the recreation area is the responsibility of Wootton Rivers Parish Council. Therefore the criteria for Parish Councils needs to apply, and this sets out that the area board can only award as much as that contributed by the Parish Council which in this case is £1,600 plus a bequest of £540. £1,824 is being sought from A4A Community Grant but not yet confirmed.
- 8.1.5. The total project costs are £10,665
- 8.1.6. The recreation project wishes to improve the existing sports and recreational facilities in Wootton Rivers to satisfy the increasing popularity of recreation and leisure and cater for the demand from a wider age range of user. The recreation ground had fallen into disuse and six years ago, with the help of local volunteers has been turned into an attractive space, but the equipment now needs an upgrade.
- 8.1.7. If the Area Board decides not to fund this project then it will be delayed until funds are sought from elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2	St Michaels Parochial Church Council, Little Bedwyn	Bells Restoration	£5,000

- 8.2.1. Officer recommendation to award £2,500 which is less than requested due to the fact that this involves work to a Church, is not a priority for the board and there is a very small amount of funding available. Funding is conditional upon the remaining funding being sought/confirmed.
- 8.2.2. This application does not wholly meet the grant criteria 2012/13 as the criteria states "the council will not consider grant applications for political or religious activities" (an exception may be considered if the project can demonstrate a wide community benefit).
- 8.2.3 The applicant has set out in detail reasons why he feels an exception should apply (and that in his opinion the bells are not religious) as follows:-

Our contention is that bell-ringing is indeed a secular activity that today does not have an intrinsically religious character or significance. The bells that were recently installed on a river barge and rung for the Queen's Jubilee river pageant event were part of a secular celebration, and as such, were echoed by bell ringers in bell towers across the land. The separate religious service for the Jubilee took place in St. Paul's the following day. Bells have been described as the biggest music-making instruments in the world and in modern times bell ringing in England is heard primarily as a unique form of music-making and not a call to prayer. It is a cultural practice as English as "the thwack of leather on willow".

The fact that bells are usually housed in a church tower and are also sometimes rung in connection with church services does not make bell ringing a religious activity per se. In different parts of the country change-ringing bells are also hung in university colleges, municipal buildings and even private houses and castles. The location of our bells in the church tower does however mean that we need to comply with the rules and regs of the building's owners when carrying out works to keep the bells, and the frame and beams on which they are supported, and the room where the ringing takes place, in good order. This is why we have channelled the project through the Parochial Church Council and applied to the Diocese of Salisbury (a faith group ?) for permission to carry it out. The church building also serves as our village hall, and the bell tower also houses Little Bedwyn's village clock, which strikes the hour for all to hear on the tenor bell. The budget for the bells project includes the costs of some repairs to the clock hammer mechanism and the weights pulleys. The clock is a public amenity to which all villagers have access.

There is little correlation between bell ringers and church goers. Of the group of fourteen new village bell ringers that we have provisionally identified for training, four are church-goers, and ten are not. In an earlier statement to the Area Board Grants Committee we readily acknowledged that the restored bells will on occasion be rung as an adjunct to church services. We estimate that this will be the case on about fifteen to eighteen occasions a year. We also estimate that the bells will be rung about forty-five times a year on occasions which have no religious significance or connection. (Most towers try to ring routinely on a weekday evening, but there will usually be breaks in this routine for holidays and such. The bells will also be rung for village events, and there will be occasional visits from bands of ringers from other towers). With or without any particular pretext, the pleasure of the ringers is in the ringing of the bells, and the pleasure of the community is in the hearing of them.

I hope these clarifications provide some factual backing for our assertion that bell-ringing is a secular activity, and that as such it does not contravene the prohibition that deters you from funding religious activities.

Community benefit

In earlier correspondence you asked me to strengthen our demonstration of the **community benefit** that accrues from the project.

- General enjoyment by the community : I repeat that in earlier times (1970s and 1980s in particular) the bells were rung for all the main village events, parties and celebrations whether local or national. I have lived in the village since 1968, and together with a few other old codgers can give personal testimony to this effect. We want to restore that added dimension of the sound of the bells to our community events.
- New and young ringers : We are determined to recruit and train a large band of new village ringers, once we have a new core band of adults we will introduce teenagers to the art and skills of ringing. This is one of the few activities that could potentially bring young people together in our village.
- Community involvement : We began to discuss the bells restoration project around the village early in 2011 and the project rapidly developed communal ownership. We have not yet circulated the appeal letter to local residents, but have already received over £2,000 in donations from villagers and friends. We expect virtually everyone in the villages of LB and Chisbury to contribute to the fund to a probable total of over £9,000. Some of this will be in relatively small amounts, but the important thing is that virtually everyone will give. There are approximately 250 residents in the civil Parish. and only 32 are on the Church Electoral Roll. It is hardly a church affair ! A community-organised Jumble Sale raised £950 last year, and a sponsored supper has raised nearly £500 so far this year. We expect to raise more from community events this year. The fund raising events are also a way of bringing the different generations of the community together.

Link to Area Community Plan

On the application form there was insufficient space for us to give a proper answer to the question : 'How does your project demonstrate a direct **link to the local community plan** for your area ?' We believe there is a very close alignment of the Little Bedwyn Bells project with the letter and spirit of the Pewsey Area Plan. The relevant passage in the actual wording of the plan is to be found in the preamble to section 6 on Culture & Leisure on page 24 :The plan will seek to ensure that community facilities....and events are encouraged to maintain this public spirit in the villages and surrounding areas.

The Little Bedwyn bells are one of our few community facilities and, when rung by members of the community they lend direct support to most of our community events. The community spirit is demonstrated by the widespread engagement of Little Bedwynites in the Bells project as participants : in helping to organise and administer it ; as donors and fund-raisers for it ; and subsequently as users and beneficiaries of it.

- 8.2.4 The applicant is the Parochial Church Council, the Bells are owned by the Church of England.
- 8.2.5 The total project costs are £44,928 £5,000 has been confirmed from the Parochial Church Council Reserves, £1,000 from the Parish Council There is £15,200 confirmed income and £24,700 provisional income.
- 8.2.6 There is no funding being provided by the Diocese or any other Church related

funders (as far as we know). Funding is still being sought .

Appendices:	
	Grant application forms (available to view online at
	http://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=177&
	MId=6118&Ver=4

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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PEWSEY AREA BOARD – Forward Plan

Please note: This is a working document which is subject to change due to availability of relevant officers/partners and relevant timescales.

Date	Cabinet Member Attending	Location	Provisional Agenda Items	Other events/items	
10 September 2012		Bouverie Hall, Goddard Road, Pewsey SN9 5QE	 Understanding Autism - To inform the Board of new duties in relation to people with autism and aspergers and how localities can respond. Review of Wiltshire's Housing Allocation Policy - To inform the Area Boards of the review Wiltshire Online: Digital Literacy in Wiltshire – To raise awareness of the Digital Literacy Project which is due to start rolling out. To recruit local people to act as digital champion volunteers to support local people to get online. Asset Management Strategy – The Council is designing an overarching Asset Management Strategy that will set out how it will lead in building resilient communities, including partners and engaging local communities. This will focus on developing campuses and employment around which plans will be developed. Housing Need and Review of Wiltshire's Housing Allocation System – To inform and consult the Area Board regarding the review. 		

		Standing items including Updates and Community Area Grants.	
12 November 2012	Burbage Village Hall, Eastcourt Road, Burbage SN8 3AJ	 Great Western Hospital – Update on transfer of Community Health Services (to include update on future service provision at Savernake Hospital) Wiltshire Online: Connectivity and Provision - To brief the Area Boards about the Wiltshire Online Programme and how this relates to future availability in the area Standing items including Updates and Community Area Grants. 	Agenda item 20 minutes Or Chairman's announcement

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